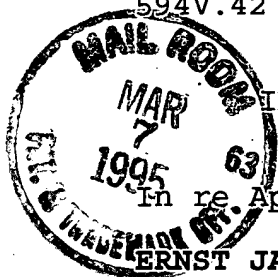


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In re Application of:

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Serial No.: Continuation of
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For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
SEALING PUNCTURE WOUNDS

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The Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
REQUEST UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.607
FOR DECLARATION OF INTERFERENCE**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend
the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 7,

lines 3 and 14, delete "57":

line 14, after "insert" add --the--; and

line 23, change "on" to --an--.

Page 9,

line 24, change "19" to --20--.